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Protest Concerning Award of Contract by Governme.

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Protest of award of contract by Pennsylvania Avenue Development Corporation (PADC) will not be considered since PADC is a wholly owned Government corporation and has broad discretionary authority with regard to its expendures.

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H. E. Fletcher Company (Fletcher) protests the award of a contract by the Pennsylvania Avenue Development Corporation, (PADC) to another bidder under Project No. PI-78-001-830. Fletcher believes that it should have been awarded the contract since it was the lowest responsive bidder for "Type D" granite. For the reasons stated below, we will not consider the protest.

The PADC is defined in the Government Corporation Control Act as a wholly owned Government corporation. See 31 U.S.C. § 846 (1976). By statute, its activities and functions are largely autonomous, 40 U.S.C. § 871, et seq. (1976), especially 40 U.S.C. § 875, and it has broad discretionary authority with regard to its expenditures. For this reason, we do not consider protests concerning its procurements. G & C Construction Corp., B-196048, September 24, 1979, 79-2 CPD

The protest is dismissed.

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